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Aug 10, 2006  
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:  
Engel

Serial No.: 10/795,853

Filed: March 8, 2004

Title: Process for Manufacture of an Optical Transmission Element with Several Dry and Compressible Filling Elements as well As Optical Transmission Element

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) Attorney Docket: P2003,0162  
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REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. sec. 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 16, 2006, the following amendment(s) and/or remark(s) are submitted. Applicants respectfully request that this reply be entered into the record as a substantive reply to the outstanding Office Action.

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